

copy of this definition is enclosed for the Examiner's convenience. Thus, one of ordinary skill in this art, to whom Applicant's claims are directed, would understand that not every collection of openings and passages is a horn.

Clark describes merely a collection of openings that simply do not have the characteristics of an acoustic horn. Indeed, the text of Clark does not include even one instance of the word, "horn". As illustrated in Clark's FIGs. 12 and 13, element 1207 is a plurality of openings that merely "lead to a front side of a speaker diaphragm 1302 of speaker 1206". Clark at col. 9, ll. 6-7. Clark is utterly silent on the shapes of these openings 1207 and any passages beyond them. Similarly, element 1216 is a plurality of openings that are positioned in a recess 1214 in which the speaker 1206 is disposed. Clark at col. 8, ll. 53-55, 62-65. And element 1226 is a plurality of openings that are a portion of openings 1224 of a housing portion 1204 and that permit sound pressure waves to reach an air space in front of an ear placement region 1212. Clark at col. 9, ll. 44-49. None of Clark's openings constitute a horn as claimed.

It is not surprising that Clark does not disclose an acoustic horn. Although horns generally have higher efficiency than other types of loudspeakers, a horn in Clark would have a very low efficiency because the pole piece in the loudspeaker could not be narrower than a minimum size that would still be wider than the entrance of the horn. The subject matter defined by Applicant's claims does not suffer as Clark would, and thus Applicant's subject matter can enjoy high efficiency, even with small size.

Since Clark does not disclose all of the elements of the independent claims, those claims 1 and 7 are not anticipated by Clark. It is respectfully requested that their rejections be reconsidered and withdrawn. Contrary to the assertions in the Action, Clark also fails to teach or suggest various features of the dependent claims, but since Clark's failure to anticipate the independent claims is sufficient to preclude rejection of the dependent claims, it is unnecessary to describe those absent features in detail. It is, however, also respectfully requested that the rejections of the dependent claims be reconsidered and withdrawn.

It is believed this application is in condition for allowance. An early Notice to this effect is earnestly solicited. If the Examiner has any questions, he is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number given below.

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it. A large, thorny North American tree bearing a sweet pulp between the seeds.
 n (hun/k-moon/) n. 1. A vacation spent by a couple. 2. The first, happy period of a marriage. 3. Informal The early and easy period of a marriage. — v.t. To spend one's honeymoon.
 -le (hun/k-suk/ai) n. 1. A climbing shrub with white, or crimson flowers. 2. Any of a number of plants. [OE *hunslice*]
 -hongk n. 1. The sound made by a goose. 2. The sound of the automobile horn. 3. To make the sound of the goose. 2. To make the automobile horn. — v.t. 3. To cause (an animal) to sound. [imit.] — honk'er n. (hông/kê-tôngk', hông/kê-tôngk')
 y, squalid barroom or tavern. [Prob. *hôngk*]
) n. 1. High regard, respect, or esteem. [imit.]
 credit. 3. *Usu.* pl. An outward token, sign, or esteem. 4. A strong sense of what is due to one's reputation for high standards of conduct. 5. A sense of esteem or pride: to be an *hon* to one's reputation. 6. A privilege or pleasure: May I have the *hon* of your scholarship, etc. 7. Chastity in women. 8. *Usu.* pl. Special recognition given to a superior scholar, etc. 9. One of the five highest cards of a suit. 11. A privilege of playing first from the tee. — to do *o* pay homage to. 2. To bring respect or credit to the honors. 1. To act as host or hostess. 2. To be of various social courtesies, as proposing. — v.t. 1. To regard with honor or respect. 2. To confer an honor upon; to accept or pay, as a check or draft. Also *Brit.* OF < L *hon* or *er* n.
) n. A title or form of address for a judge, preceded by *Your*, *His*, or *Her*.
 (on/er-ə-bai) adj. 1. Worthy of honor or rendering honor or credit. 3. Having eminence. 4. Possessing or according to high moral principles, accompanied by marks of honor. Also *Brit.* hon-
 -hon/or-a-ble-ness n. — hon/or-a-ble-ly adv.
 (on/er-ə-bai) adj. A formal title of courtesy, as cabinet members, justices of the Court, etc.: preceded by *The*.
 n (on/er-rār/ē-əm) n. pl. *rār-i-ums* or *rār-i-*
 payment given, as to a professional man, for
 ed when law or propriety forbids a set fee. [*um* honorary]
 n/er-rār/ē) adj. 1. Designating an office, title, as an honor, without the customary powers. 2. Having such a title, office, etc.: a man. 3. Bringing, conferred in, or denoting *rār-i-*
 membership. [*L* *honorarius*]
 n/er-rār/ē) adj. 1. Conferring or implying. 2. Denoting certain phrases, words, or, as in Oriental languages, used in respect to. Any honorific title, word, phrase, etc.: [*L* *honor* + *facere* to make] — hon/or-i-f-i-cally adv.
 + *facere* to make] — hon/or-i-f-i-cally adv.
) n. In some colleges, a plan for selected students to take individual, specialized work.
 In some colleges, schools, etc., a system of
 thout immediate supervision.
 n. *U.S. Slang* Alcoholic liquor, esp. illegally.
 1. [*hooch*ino, alter. of *Hulanuwu*, name of a
 tribe that made liquor]
 1. A covering for the head and back of the
 forming part of a garment. 2. Anything
 od in form or use; as: a *U.S.* The movable
 ecting the engine of an automobile. b A pro-
 or a hearth, ventilator, etc. 3. In falconry,
 ad and eyes of a hawk when it is not hunting.
 ain animals, as the cobra, the folds of skin
 capable of expansion. — v.t. To cover or
 as with a hood. [OE *hōd*] — hood'ed adj.
 1. *U.S. Slang* A hoodlum. [*L* *HOODLUM*]
 nouns 1. Condition or quality of state of be-
 alsehood. 2. Class or totality of those having
 ter: priesthood. [OE *hād* state, condition]
 1/ām) n. *U.S.* 1. A young street rowdy or
 ug or ruffian. [*? < dia. G hōdatum rowdy*]
 2) n. 1. Voodoo. 2. Informal One who or
 gs bad luck; a jinx. 3. Informal Bad luck.
 To bring bad luck to. [Var. of voodoo]
 5d/wingk') v.t. 1. To blindfold. 2. To
 To conceal or hide. — hood/wink' or n.
 n. & interj. *U.S. Slang* Nonsense.
 n. pl. hoofs or hooves (hōvz, hōvz) 1.
 th incasing the foot in various mammals, as
 wine, etc. ♦ Collateral adjective: ungular.
 ot of such an animal. 3. An animal with
 as a unit of a herd. 4. The human foot: s
 — on the hoof Alive; not butchered: said

of cattle. — v.t. & v.i. 1. To trample with the hoofs. 2.
 Informal To walk or dance: usually with *it*. [OE *hōf*]
 hoof-beat (hōf/bēt/, hōf/-) n. The sound made by a
 hoofed animal in walking, trotting, etc.
 hoof'er (hōf/er, hōf/er) n. *U.S. Slang* A professional
 dancer, esp. a tap dancer.
 hoof-print (hōf/print/, hōf/-) n. One of the tracks left by
 a hoofed animal.
 hook (hōk) n. 1. A curved or bent piece of metal, wood,
 bone, etc., having one free end that serves to hold up, fasten,
 or drag something. 2. A fishhook. 3. A curved cutting
 tool. 4. The fixed half of a hinge from which a door, gate,
 etc., swings. 5. Something that ensnares; a trap. 6. Some-
 thing resembling a hook; as: a A recurved organ or part of an
 animal or plant. b A curved point of land. c A bend in a river.
 d A hook-shaped part of a letter. 7. In baseball, a curve.
 8. In boxing, a short, swinging blow, with the elbow bent.
 9. In golf, a stroke that sends the ball curving to his left. 10.
 Music One of the lines at the end of the stem of a note, used
 to indicate the note's value. 11. *Naut. Slang* An anchor. —
 by hook or by crook In one way or another. — hook, line,
 and sinker Informal Entirely; unreservedly. — off the
 hook *Slang* Free from a troublesome situation, obligation,
 etc. — on one's own hook Informal By one's own efforts.
 — v.t. 1. To fasten, attach, or take hold of with or as with a
 hook. 2. To catch on a hook, as fish. 3. To make into the
 shape of a hook. 4. To catch on or wound with the horns,
 as those of a bull. 5. To make (a rug, mat, etc.) by looping
 yarn through a backing of canvas or burlap. 6. In baseball,
 to pitch (the ball) in a curve. 7. In boxing, to strike with a
 short, swinging blow. 8. In golf, to drive (the ball) to one's
 left. 9. In hockey, to check illegally with the stick. 10.
 Informal To trick; dupe. 11. *Slang* To pilfer; steal. — v.i.
 12. To curve like a hook; bend. 13. To be fastened or
 caught with or as with a hook or hooks. — to hook up 1.
 To fasten or attach with a hook or hooks. 2. To put to-
 gether or connect. — to hook up with *Slang* 1. To become
 a companion of. 2. To marry. [OE *hōc*] — hook'y adj.
 hook-ah (hōk/ah) n. An Oriental tobacco pipe having a
 long, flexible tube that passes through a vessel of water, thus
 cooling the smoke. Also *hook'a*. [*< Arabic huqqah*]
 hook and eye A fastening for clothes, consisting of a small
 hook that passes through a loop of metal or thread.
 hooked (hōkt) adj. 1. Curved like a hook. 2. Supplied
 with a hook or hooks. 3. Made by means of a hook, as a rug.
 4. *Slang* Married. 5. *Slang* Addicted to a habit or practice,
 especially a harmful one. — hook-ed-ness (hōkt'id-nis) n.
 hooked rug A rug made by looping yarn or strips of cloth
 with a hooked tool through a backing of burlap or canvas.
 hook-nose (hōk/nōz/) n. A nose with a downward curve;
 aquiline nose. — hook'-nosed' (-nōzd') adj.
 hook-up (hōk/up/) n. 1. *Telecom.* The arrangement of the
 apparatus and connections used for a radio broadcast or
 other electrical transmission. 2. Informal A relationship or
 connection, as between countries, persons, etc.
 hook-worm (hōk/wŭrm/) n. A nematode worm with
 hooked mouth parts, parasitic in the intestines and causing
 ancylostomiasis in man.
 hookworm disease Ancylostomiasis.
 hook-y (hōk/ē) n. *U.S. Informal* Absence without leave,
 as from school: now only in the phrase to play hooky, to be a
 truant. [*< HOOK*, in dial. sense of "make off"]
 hoo-li-gan (hōo/li-gan) n. *Slang* A young hoodlum; petty
 gangster. [after *Hooligan*, name of an Irish family]
 hoop (hōop, hōop) n. 1. A circular band of metal, wood,
 etc.; esp., such a band used to confine the staves of a barrel,
 etc. 2. A child's toy in the shape of a large ring. 3. One of
 the rings of flexible metal, whalebone, etc., used to make a
 woman's skirt stand out from her body. 4. The band of a
 finger ring. — v.t. 1. To surround or fasten with a hoop or
 hoops. 2. To encircle. [OE *hōp*]
 hoop-er (hōop/er, hōop/er) n. A cooper.
 hoop-la (hōop/lā) n. *U.S. Slang* Noise and excitement.
 hoo-poe (hōop/pōo) n. An Old World bird having a long bill
 and an erectile crest. Also *hoo'poo*. [*< F*
 < *L* *upupa*]
 hoop skirt 1. A bell-shaped structure
 made from several hoops of graduated
 sizes, used to expand a woman's skirt. 2.
 The skirt worn over this.
 hoo-ray (hōo-rā/, hā-, hōo-) See HURRAH.
 hoose-gow (hōos/gou) n. *U.S. Slang* Jail
 or prison. Also *hoos/gow*. [*< Sp. juzgado*
 tribunal]
 Hoo-sler (hōo/zhar) n. *U.S.* A native or
 resident of Indiana. [Prob. < dial. *hooster*
 mountaineer]
 Hoosier State A nickname of Indiana.



HOOPOE
(About 12 inches
long; bill
2½ inches)

hoot' (hōot) n. 1. The cry of an owl. 2. A sound similar
 to this, as of a train whistle. 3. A loud, derisive outcry. —
 v.i. 1. To make the sound of an owl. 2. To make a sound
 similar to this. 3. To jeer, as in contempt. — v.t. 4. To
 jeer at or mock with derisive cries. 5. To drive off with
 hoots. 6. To express (disapproval, scorn, etc.) by hooting.
 [*< Scand. Cf. Sw. hula*]
 hoot' (hōot) n. *U.S. Informal* An insignificant amount; bit;
 commonly in the expression I don't give a hoot, I don't care
 a bit. [Earlier *hoot*, ? alter. of *iota*. Cf. *iot*.]
 hoot-en-an-ny (hōot/n-an/ē) n. pl. -nies 1. *U.S.* A gather-
 ing of folk singers, especially for a public performance. 2.
 Informal A gadget; thingamajig. Also *hoot-nan-ny* (hōot/
 nan/ē). [Origin unknown]
 hooves (hōovz, hōovz) Alternative plural of HOOF.
 hop' (hop) v. hopped, hop-ping v.t. 1. To move by making
 short leaps on one foot. 2. To move in short leaps on both
 feet or on all four feet. 3. To limp. 4. Informal To dance.
 5. Informal To go, especially by airplane. — v.t. 6. To
 jump over, as a fence. 7. Informal To get on or board. —
 to hop off To leave the ground in flight, as an airplane. —
 n. 1. The act of hopping. 2. Informal A dance or dancing
 party. 3. Informal A trip in an airplane. [OE *hoppian*]
 hop' (hop) n. 1. A perennial climbing herb with scaly fruit.
 2. pl. The dried cones, used medicinally, and as a flavoring
 in beer. [*< MDu. huppe*]
 hope (hōp) v. hoped, hop-ing v.t. 1. To desire with expecta-
 tion of fulfillment. 2. To wish; want. — v.i. 3. To have de-
 sire or expectation: usually with *for*. — to hope against
 hope To continue hoping even when it may be in vain. — n.
 1. Desire accompanied by expectation of fulfillment. 2. Con-
 fident expectation. 3. That which is desired. 4. One who
 or that which is a cause of hopeful expectation. [OE *hōpa*]
 hope chest A box or chest used by young women to hold
 linen, clothing, etc., in anticipation of marriage.
 hope-ful (hōp/fəl) adj. 1. Full of or manifesting hope: a
 hopeful attitude. 2. Affording grounds for hope; promising:
 a hopeful situation. — n. A young person who seems likely
 to succeed. — hope-ful-ly adv. — hope-ful-ness n.
 hope-less (hōp/lis) adj. 1. Without hope; despairing: a
 hopeless feeling. 2. Affording no ground for hope: a hopeless
 predicament. — hope-less-ly adv. — hope-less-ness n.
 Ho-pl (hō/pē) n. 1. One of a group of North American
 Pueblo Indians of Shoshonean stock, now on a reservation in
 NE Arizona. 2. Their Shoshonean language. [*< Hopi hō-*
pitu, lit., peaceful ones]
 hopped-up (hōpt/up/) adj. *U.S. Slang* 1. Stimulated by
 narcotics; drugged. 2. Supercharged, as an engine.
 hop-per (hōp/er) n. 1. One who or that which hops. 2. A
 jumping insect or larva. 3. Any of various funnel-shaped
 receptacles in which coal, sand, grain, etc., may be kept until
 ready for discharge through the bottom.
 hop-scotch (hōp/skotch/) n. A children's game in which the
 player hops on one foot over the lines of a diagram, so as to re-
 cover a block or pebble.
 ho-ral (hō/rəl) adj. Hourly. [*< L hora hour*]
 Ho-rat-ian (hō-rā/shən) adj. Of or pertaining to Horace.
 horde (hōrd, hōrd) n. 1. A multitude, pack, or swarm, as of
 people, animals, etc. 2. A tribe of nomadic Mongols. 3.
 Any nomadic tribe. — v.i. hord-ed, hord-ing To gather in or
 live in a horde. [*< F < G < Polish horda*]
 hore-hound (hōr/hound/, hōr/-) n. 1. A whitish, bitter,
 perennial herb of the mint family. 2. The juice or extract of
 this plant. 3. A candy or cough remedy flavored with this
 extract. Also spelled *hoarhound*. [OE *hārūne*]
 ho-ri-zon (hō-rī/zən) n. 1. The line of the apparent meeting
 of the sky with the earth or sea. 2. The bounds or limits of
 one's observation, knowledge, or experience. [*< OF < L*
 < *Gk. horizēin* to bound]
 hor-i-zon-tal (hōr/ə-zon/təl, hōr/-) adj. 1. Of, pertaining to,
 or close to the horizon. 2. Parallel to the horizon; level: op-
 posed to vertical. 3. Equal and uniform: a horizontal tariff.
 — n. A line, plane, etc., assumed to be parallel with the
 horizon. — Syn. See LEVEL. — hor'i-zon-tal-ly adv.
 horizontal union A craft union.
 hor-mone (hōr/mōn) n. 1. *Physiol.* An internal secretion
 produced by one of the endocrine glands, as the pituitary, thy-
 roid, adrenals, etc., and carried by the blood stream to other
 parts of the body where it has a specific effect. 2. *Bot.* A
 similar substance in plants. [*< Gk. hormaēin* to excite]
 — hor-mo-nal (hōr-mō/nəl), hor-mon-ic (hōr-mon/ik) adj.
 horn (hōrn) n. 1. A hard, bonelike, permanent growth of
 epidermal tissue, usu. occurring in pairs and projecting from
 the head in various hoofed animals, as in oxen, sheep, cattle,
 etc. 2. Either of the two antlers of a deer, shed annually. 3.
 Any outgrowth projecting naturally from the head of an animal.
 4. The substance of which animal horn is made. 5.
 The appendage like an animal's horn attributed to demons,

PRONUNCIATION KEY: add, āce, cāre, pālm; end, ēven; it, īce; odd, ōpen, ōrder; tōok, pōol; up, būrn; ə = a in above, e in sicken, i in flex-
 ible, o in melon, u in focus; yōō = u in fuse; oil; pout; check; go; ring; thin; this; zh, vision.

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deities, etc. 6. In the Bible, a symbol of glory and power. 7. *Usu. pl.* The imaginary projections from the forehead of a cuckold. 8. A vessel or implement formed from or shaped like a horn: a powder *horn*. 9. One of the extremities of the crescent moon. 10. The pommel of a saddle. 11. A device for sounding warning signals: an automobile *horn*. 12. A cornucopia. 13. Any pointed or tapering projection, as the point of an anvil. 14. One of the two or more alternatives of a dilemma. 15. *Music* a Any of the various brass instruments, formerly made from animal horns, in the shape of a long, coiled tube widening out into a bell at one end. b The French horn. 16. *Informal* Any musical wind instrument. 17. *Electronics* A hollow, tubular device terminating in a cone of varying cross section, for collecting sound waves, as in a loudspeaker. 18. *Geog.* a One of the branches forming the delta of a stream or river. b A cape or peninsula. — *to blow one's own horn* To brag. — *to haul (or pull or draw) in one's horns* 1. To check one's anger, zeal, etc. 2. To retract or withdraw, as a previous statement. — *adj.* Of or like horn. — *v.t.* 1. To provide with horns. 2. To shape like a horn. 3. To attack with the horns; gore. — *to horn in* *Slang* To intrude or enter without being invited. [OE] **horn-bill** (hörn/bil/) *n.* A tropical bird, having a large bill surmounted by a hornlike extension. **horn-blende** (hörn/blend/) *n.* A common variety of amphibole, greenish black or black, containing iron and silicate of magnesium, calcium, and aluminum. — *horn-blend/ic adj.* **horn-book** (hörn/bóok/) *n.* 1. A leaf or page containing a printed alphabet, etc., covered with transparent horn and framed, formerly used in teaching reading to children. 2. A primer or book of rudimentary knowledge. **horned** (hórnd, *Poetic* hór/nid) *adj.* 1. Having a horn or horns. 2. Having a projection or process resembling a horn. **horned owl** Any of various American owls with conspicuous ear tufts; esp. the screech owl. **horned toad** A flat-bodied, spiny lizard with a short tail and toadlike appearance, common in semiarid regions of the western U.S. Also *horn toad*. **horned viper** A venomous African or Indian viper with a hornlike growth over each eye. **horn-net** (hór/nit) *n.* Any of various wasps capable of inflicting a severe sting. [OE *hymnel*] **horn of plenty** A cornucopia. **horn-pipe** (hörn/píp/) *n.* 1. An obsolete musical instrument resembling the clarinet. 2. A lively English dance for one or more performers. 3. The music for such a dance. **horn-y** (hór/ni) *adj.* **horn-i-er**, **horn-i-est** 1. Made of horn or a similar substance. 2. Having horns or projections resembling horns. 3. Hard as horn; tough. — *horn/i-ness n.* **hor-o-loge** (hór/ə-lóij, hór/-) *n.* A timepiece, as a watch, clock, etc. [*< OF < L < Gk. < hōra* time + *lēgō* to tell] **ho-ro-lo-ger** (hó-ro-lə-jər, hō-) *n.* One skilled in horology; also, one who makes or sells timepieces. Also *ho-ro-lo-gist*. **ho-ro-lo-gy** (hó-ro-lə-jē, hō-) *n.* The science of the measurement of time or of the construction of timepieces. — *hor-o-log-ic* (hór/ə-ləj/ik, hór/-) *adj.* **hor-o-scope** (hór/ə-skóp, hór/-) *n.* 1. In astrology, the aspect of the heavens, with special reference to the positions of the planets at any specific instant, esp. at a person's birth. 2. The diagram of the twelve divisions or houses of the heavens, used in predicting the future. [*< L < Gk. < hōra* hour + *skopos* watcher] — *ho-ro-s-co-py* (hó-ro-s/kə-pē) *n.* **hor-ren-dous** (hór-ren/dəs, hō-) *adj.* Horrible; frightful. [*< L horrens* to bristle] — *hor-ren-dous-ly adv.* **hor-ri-ble** (hór/ə-bal, hór/-) *adj.* 1. Exciting or tending to excite horror; shocking. 2. *Informal* Inordinate; excessive; a horrible liar. 3. *Informal* Unpleasant; ugly. [*< F < L horrens* to bristle] — *hor-ri-ble-ness n.* — *hor-ri-bly adv.* **hor-rid** (hór/rid, hór/-) *adj.* 1. Causing great aversion or horror; dreadful. 2. *Informal* Very objectionable; offensive. — *hor-rid-ly adv.* — *hor-rid-ness n.* **hor-ri-fy** (hór/ə-fi, hór/-) *v.t.* *med.* *fy-ing* 1. To affect or fill with horror. 2. *Informal* To shock or surprise painfully; startle. — *hor-ri-fi-ca-tion n.* **hor-ror** (hór/ər, hór/-) *n.* 1. A painful, strong emotion caused by extreme fear, dread, repugnance, etc. 2. One who or that which excites such an emotion. 3. *Often pl.* A quality that excites horror: the horrors of crime. 4. Great aversion; loathing. 5. *Informal* Something disagreeable, ugly, etc. [*< L*] **hors d'oeuvre** (ór dúrv/, *Fr.* ór dœ/vr/) *Usu. pl.* An appetizer, as olives, celery, etc. [*< F*] **horse** (hórs) *n. pl.* **hórs-es** or **horse** 1. A large, strong, herbivorous mammal with solid hoofs and a long mane and tail, employed in the domestic state as a draft or pack animal or for riding. ♦ *Collateral adjective: equine*. 2. The full-grown male horse as contrasted with the mare; a gelding or stallion. 3. Mounted soldiers; cavalry. 4. A device, generally having four legs, for holding or supporting something: often in combination: *clotheshorse*. 5. In gymnastics, a wooden leather-covered block on four legs, used for vaulting and

other exercises. 6. *Informal* In chess, a knight. — *a horse of another (or a different) color* A completely different matter. — *out of (or straight from) the horse's mouth* From the most direct and reliable source. — *to be (or get) on one's high horse* *Informal* To act haughtily or scornfully. — *to hold one's horses* *Slang* To restrain one's impetuosity or impatience. — *To horse!* A command for cavalry troops to mount. — *v. horsed, hors-ing v.t.* 1. To furnish with a horse or horses. 2. To put on horseback. 3. *U.S. Slang* To subject to horseplay or ridicule. — *v.t.* 4. To mount or ride on a horse. 5. *Slang* To engage in horseplay: often with around. — *adj.* 1. Of or pertaining to a horse or horses. 2. Mounted on horses. 3. Large for its kind. [OE *hors*] **horse-back** (hórs/bak/) *n.* 1. A horse's back. 2. A ridge of earth or rock; hogback. — *adv.* On a horse's back. **horse-car** (hórs/kär/) *n.* 1. A tramcar drawn by horses. 2. A car for transporting horses. **horse chestnut** 1. A tree having digitate leaves, clusters of flowers, and chestnutlike fruits. 2. The fruit of this tree. **horse-flesh** (hórs/flesh/) *n.* Horses collectively. **horse-fly** (hórs/flí/) *n. pl.* *flies* A large fly, the female of which sucks the blood of horses, cattle, etc. **horse-hair** (hórs/här/) *n.* 1. The hair of horses, esp. that of their manes and tails. 2. A fabric made of such hair; hair-cloth. — *adj.* Covered, stuffed, or made of horsehair. **horse-hide** (hórs/hid/) *n.* 1. The hide of a horse. 2. Leather made from a horse's hide. **horse latitudes** *Naut.* A belt at about 35° north or south latitude, characterized by calms and light variable winds, with diminishing to prevailing westerlies toward the poles and trade winds toward the equator. **horse-laugh** (hórs/láf-, -láf/) *n.* A loud, scornful laugh. **horse-man** (hórs/mán) *n. pl.* *men (-man)* 1. A man who rides a horse. 2. A cavalryman. — *horse/man-ship n.* **horse pistol** A large pistol formerly carried by horsemen. **horse-play** (hórs/plé/) *n.* Rough, boisterous play or fun. **horse-power** (hórs/pəu/ər) *n. Mech.* A unit of the rate of work, equal to 550 pounds lifted one foot in one second. **horse-rad-ish** (hórs/rad/ish) *n.* 1. A garden herb of the mustard family. 2. A condiment made from its root. **horse sense** *Informal* Innate common sense. **horse-shoe** (hór/shō/, hór/-) *n.* 1. A piece of metal, U-shaped to fit the edge of a horse's hoof, to which it is nailed as a protective device. 2. Something resembling a horse-shoe in shape. 3. *pl.* A game similar to quoits, in which the object is to throw horseshoes over or near a stake. — *v.t.* *-shoed, -shoe-ing* To furnish with horseshoes. **horseshoe crab** A large marine arthropod having a horse-shoe-shaped carapace and a long telson; also called *king crab*. **horse-tail** (hórs/táil/) *n.* 1. The tail of a horse. 2. A perennial flowerless plant of wide distribution. **horse-whip** (hórs/whíp/) *n.* A whip for managing horses. — *v.t.* *-whipped, whip-ping* To flog with a horsewhip. **horse-woman** (hórs/wóm/ən) *n. pl.* *-wom-en (-wim/ən)* 1. A woman who rides on horseback. 2. A woman who is skilled in riding or managing horses. **hors-y** (hór/sē) *adj.* **hors-i-er, hors-i-est** 1. Pertaining to, suggestive of, or having the nature of a horse or horses. 2. Associated with or devoted to horses, horseracing, fox hunting, etc. Also *hors-ey*. — *hors-i-ly adv.* — *hors-i-ness n.* **hor-ta-to-ry** (hór-tə-tōr/ē, -tōr/ē) *adj.* Of, characterized by, or giving exhortation or encouragement. Also *hor-ta-tive*. [*< L hortatorius*] — *hor-ta-tive-ly adv.* **hor-ti-cul-ture** (hór-ti-kul/char) *n.* 1. The cultivation of a garden. 2. The art or science of growing garden vegetables, fruits, flowers, etc. [*< L hortus* garden + *cultura* cultivation] — *hor-ti-cul-tur-al adj.* — *hor-ti-cul-tur-ist n.* **ho-san-na** (hó-zan/ə) *interj.* Praised be the Lord. — *n.* 1. A cry of "hosanna". 2. Any exultant praise. [*< LL < Gk. < Hebrew hōshi áhmad* save, we pray] **hose** (hóz) *n. pl.* *hose* (*Archaic hos-en*) for *def.* 1, 2; *hos-es* for *def.* 3 *1. pl.* Stockings or socks. 2. *pl.* Formerly, a garment worn by men for covering the legs and lower part of the body like tight trousers. 3. A flexible tube of rubber, plastic, etc., for conveying water and other fluids. — *v.t.* *hosed, hos-ing* 1. To water, drench, or douse with a hose. 2. *Canadian Slang* To cheat or defeat. [OE *hosa*] **Ho-se-a** (hó-zē/ə, -zā/ə) Eighth-century B.C. Hebrew prophet. — *n.* A book of the Old Testament bearing his name; also, in the Douai Bible, *Osee*. **hos-ier-y** (hóz/hār-ē) *n.* Stockings and socks of all types. **hos-pice** (hós/pis) *n.* A place of rest or shelter, usu. maintained by a religious order for pilgrims, travelers, etc. [*< F < L hospitium* inn, hospitality] **hos-pi-ta-ble** (hós/pi-tə-bal, hós-pit/ə-bal) *adj.* 1. Behaving in a kind and generous manner toward guests. 2. Affording or expressing welcome and generosity toward guests. 3. Receptive in mind. [*< OF < L hospitare* to entertain] — *hos-pi-ta-ble-ness n.* — *hos-pi-ta-bly adv.* **hos-pl-tal** (hós/pi-təl) *n.* An institution that provides medical, surgical, or psychiatric treatment and nursing care for

the ill or injured temporarily lodged there used for this purpose. [*< OF < L hu* **hos-pi-tal-i-ty** (hós/pə-tal/ə-tē) *n. pl.* *ties*, or act of being hospitable. **hos-pi-tal-ize** (hós/pi-tal-iz/) *v.t.* *-ized* **hospital** for treatment and care. **hos-pi-tal-i-za-tion** (hós/pi-tal-ə-zā/shə) *n.* The act of hospitalizing. 2. *U.S.* A guarantee all or partial payment of hospital insurance. **host** (hóst) *n.* 1. A man who extends usu. to guests in his own home. 2. *B.* *ism* from which a parasite obtains nutrition. — *v.t.* *Informal* To conduct or of host. [*< OF < L hospes* guest, *hos* **host** (hóst) *n.* 1. A large number of multitude. 2. An army. [*< OF < L hos* **host** (hóst) *n.* *Ecl.* Sometimes cap. *host* or wafer. [*< OF < L hostia* sacrifice] **host-age** (hós/tij) *n.* 1. A person given until specified conditions are met, as in any person so treated. 3. A pledge or **host-el** (hós/təl) *n.* One of a chain of houses for young people on bicycle or **host-el-ry** (hós/təl-rē) *n. pl.* *-ries* place; inn. — *hos-tel-er, hos-tel-er n.* **host-ess** (hós/tis) *n.* 1. A woman who of a host. 2. A woman employed in greet and serve guests. 3. A woman patrons of a public dance hall. 4. A **host-ile** (hós/təl, esp. *Brit.* -til) *adj.* *ing* enmity or opposition; unfriendly, or characteristic of an enemy: *hostile ac* *F < L hostilis*] — *host-ile-ly adv.* **host-il-i-ty** (hós-til/ə-tē) *n. pl.* *-ties* **hostile**. 2. A hostile act. 3. *pl.* War **host-ler** (hós/lər, ós/-) *n.* A stableman **host-ler**. [*< OF hosteler* innkeeper] **hot** (hót) *adj.* *hot-ter, hot-test* 1. Having heat; having a high temperature. 2. High degree of heat; very warm. 3. *F* normal bodily warmth. 4. Giving the burning to the tongue or skin: *hot pep* electric current, esp. one of high volta radioactive. 7. Constantly in action c the wires *hot*. 8. In hunting, strong or Not far behind: in *hot* pursuit. 10. *N* strong or violent emotion: *hot* words. *tense* activity; raging; violent: a *hot* battle; sexy. 13. *Slang* Strongly disposed with for. 14. *Informal* Controversial: *formal* So new as not to have lost its etc.: a *hot* item. 16. *Slang* Excellent, so hot tonight. 17. *U.S. Slang* Reecer procured. 18. *Music Slang* A Designa last tempo, heavily accented beat, etc. b Playing or performing such jazz: *hot water* *Informal* In trouble. — *to formal* To make the situation extreme — *adv.* In a hot manner. [OE *hāt*] **hot air** *Slang* Empty or pretentious **hot-bed** (hót/bed/) *n.* 1. A bed of rice glass and warmed usu. by fermenting mote the growth of plants in advance c place or condition favoring rapid grow **hot-blood-ed** (hót/blud/id) *adj.* Eas **hot cake** A pancake or griddlecake. **hot cakes** *Informal* To be disposed of **hot cross bun** A circular cake or bun of frosting, eaten esp. during Lent. **hot dog** *Informal* A cooked frankfurter in a split roll, and garnished with mus **hot-el** (hót-tel/) *n.* 1. An establishment lodging, food, etc., to travelers and 2. *Canadian Beer parl.* [*< F < O* **hot-foot** (hót/fót/) *v.i.* *Informal* To **hot-head** (hót/hed/) *n.* A heated **hot-head-ed** (hót/hed/id) *adj.* 1. Qui petuous. — *hot-head-ed-ly adv.* — *h* **hot-house** (hót/hous/) *n.* A greenho cially for the growth of out-of-season **hot line** A direct means of communicatio for emergency use between Washingto **hot plate** A small portable gas or ele **hot rod** *U.S. Slang* An automobile, modified for high speeds. **hot spring** A natural spring emitting perature of 98° F. or above: also called

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